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Status			
1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 09 Ja	anuary 2006.		
2a) This action is FINAL . 2b) This	action is non-final.		
3) Since this application is in condition for allowa	nce except for formal ma	itters, prosecution as to the merits is	
closed in accordance with the practice under E	Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C	D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.	
Disposition of Claims			
4) Claim(s) 1-11,14,15,17 and 20-26 is/are pendiday of the above claim(s) is/are withdray 5) Claim(s) 15,17,25 and 26 is/are allowed. 6) Claim(s) 1-11,14 and 20-24 is/are rejected. 7) Claim(s) is/are objected to. 8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/o	wn from consideration.		
Application Papers			
9) The specification is objected to by the Examine 10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) acc		o by the Examiner.	
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

1. The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

2. Claims 1-11 and 20-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention.

The phrase "at least substantially opaque sheet" is found to be new matter for lack of support for said phrase in the specification as originally filed.

3. Claims 1-11 and 20-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to enable one skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and/or use the invention.

The phrase "substantially opaque" is found to be lacking enablement because it is unclear as to what is defined by "substantially". It is not clear as to what is considered meant by "substantially" opaque?

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Rejections Withdrawn

- 4. Claims 15 and 25 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Boudet (3950580) made in the last Office Action of September 30, 2006 has been withdrawn in view of the amendment filed on January 9, 2006..
- 5. Claim 26 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Boudet has been withdrawn in view of the amendment.

Rejections Maintained

- 6. Claims 14 and 23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Boudet (3950580) for reasons of record made in the last Office Action.
- 7. Claim 24, is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Boudet for reasons of record in the last Office Action.

Response to Arguments

8. Applicant's arguments filed January 9, 2006 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

Applicant argues that Boudet fails to teach the presence of adhesive strips on more than one side. This is not found to be convincing because, as shown in the drawing of Boudet, the first adhesive strip is along a first side of the sheet and the second adhesive strip is located along a second side of the strip (col. 1, lines 35-40) the two sides intersects with each other.

For claim 24, the above explanation apply a fortiori herein.

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Therefore, in the absence of any evidence to the contrary, it remains the examiner's position that the claimed invention is anticipated or rendered obvious over the prior art of record discussed above.

9. Applicant is reminded that upon withdrawl of the new matter from the claim language by the applicant, the withdrawn art rejection will read on the claimed invention.

Allowable Subject Matter

10. Claims 15, 17 and 25-26 are allowed.

The prior art fails to teach the features of mitered ends of the adjacent release liners or a liner corner member separate from the adjacent first and second liners.

Conclusion

11. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any

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extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Nasser Ahmad whose telephone number is 571-272-1487. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM, and on alternate Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Harold Pyon can be reached on 571-272-1498. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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N. Ahmad. March 16, 2006.